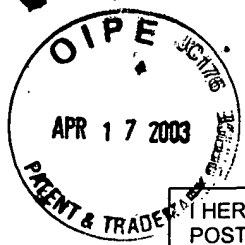


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**REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT OR IN THE
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Sir:

The applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be revived and forwarded to the Examiner for Examination. On April 7, 2003, the applicants received a Notice of Abandonment (See Exhibit A) mailed from the PTO on April 4, 2003, stating that the application is abandoned in view of applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office Action mailed on April 16, 2002. The period for response ended October 16, 2002. However, the applicants timely filed an Amendment and Petition For Extension Of Time on August 9, 2002 (See Exhibit B). It is clear from Exhibit B that the applicants timely filed an Amendment on August 9, 2002. The applicants also mailed a returned postcard with the amendment which was received by the PTO on August 14, 2002 (see the enclosed copy Exhibit C).

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Again, the applicants respectfully request that the pending status of the application be reinstated, or in the alternative, the application be revived. Again, it is clear from the record, especially in view of the timely response (Exhibit B) that the applicants did not intend for this application to be abandoned.

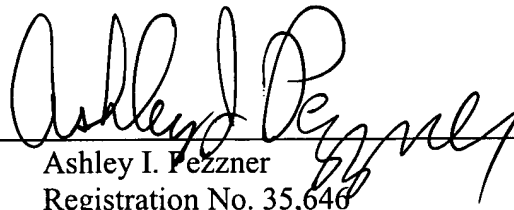
No additional fee is due. If there is any fee required with this paper, including the fee necessary for a petition to revive because the application was unintentionally permitted to become abandoned, the applicants respectfully request the Commissioner of charge the Deposit Account No. 03-2275.

A prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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